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THE COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

FOR THE YEAR 1877.

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Architect—MR. RICHARD REYNOLDS ROWE.
Head Male Attendant—MR. E. M. THORNE.
Head Female Attendant—MISS CHARLOTTE WILLIAMS.

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Cambridgeshire, Isle of Ely, and Borough of Cambridge

PAUPER LUNATIC ASYLUM.

PURSUANT to the 62nd Section of the 16th and 17th Victoria, Chapter 97, the Committee of Visitors of the above Asylum beg to report to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Cambridge and Isle of Ely respectively, and to the Town Council of the Borough of Cambridge, as follows:—

Works for enlarging Asylum commenced.

Your Committee have much pleasure in reporting that the actual enlargement and improvement of the Asylum, which has occupied the attention of the Committee of Visitors for several years, has at length been commenced.

On the 28th of February last, the Working Drawings, Specifications, and Estimate for the Works were ordered to be laid before the Building sub-Committee, and on the 13th of March following they reported that they were in accordance with the Ground Plans which had already received the sanction of the Commissioners in Lunacy and the Visitors.

At a meeting of your Committee on the 27th March last, the Plans were formally approved, and Mr. Rowe was instructed to forward them to the Commissioners in Lunacy.

On the 24th April last, Mr. Rowe produced the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate to your Committee, with the written approval of Mr. Cross, the Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Lunatic Asylums Act, 1853, and they were referred to the Building sub-Committee.

On the 22nd May last, the sub-Committee reported that "they thought it highly desirable that the three bodies should know exactly the circumstances under which the Plans had been prepared," and they therefore submitted a form of Special Report to the Quarter Sessions of the County and Isle and to the Town Council of the Borough.

This Special Report was approved by the Visitors at their meeting held the 22nd May last, and by them directed to be printed, and this was accordingly done, and copies thereof were circulated amongst the Justices

of the Peace of the County and Isle, and the Town Council of the Borough.

This Special Report after giving in detail the circumstances under which the enlargement of the Asylum had become necessary, the several attempts made by the Visitors to effect that object, stated that the cost of all the works, comprising additional day space for 65 male and 65 female patients, and bed accommodation for 10 male and 20 female patients, besides Dining Halls for each sex, were estimated not to exceed the sum of £13,000, and that your Committee thought there would be no necessity to call for the payment of that amount in sums of more than £2,000 in any year.

The Town Council of the Borough of Cambridge on the 8th June, the County Quarter Sessions on the 29th June, and the Isle Quarter Sessions on the 8th August last, adopted the Special Report of your Committee, and voted their several quotas of the required amount to carry out the works.

In August last your Committee advertised for Tenders for the erection of an Infirmary on the male side of the Asylum, being part of the works proposed to be carried out, and in answer they received tenders from four builders, the highest of which was £2,700, and the lowest £2,467 15s. The last-named amount was £1,039 12s. 6d. in excess of Mr. Rowe's estimate for the work, which was £1,428 2s. 6d , and the Building Sub-Committee therefore determined not to accept any

of the tenders; and as Mr. Rowe adhered to his estimate to cover all contingencies, the Building Sub-Committee recommended your Committee to erect the Infirmary by the Asylum Staff of workmen, supplemented by additional Artizans. This your Committee has accordingly done, and the work was commenced on the 26th day of September last, under Mr. Rowe's superintendence, and the building is now so far advanced that the Roof timbers are fixed.

A careful and distinct account of the cost of materials and labour is being kept to show its exact cost, and how far it agrees with Mr. Rowe's estimate. Your Committee also anticipate that during the ensuing year the Infirmary on the female side of the Asylum, and, if possible, another part of the proposed enlargement will be carried out to the extent of a further call on the County, Isle, and Borough of about £2,000 in the whole for the year 1877.

The Infirmary now in progress of erection will give additional accommodation for 10 patients, and will help to relieve the other part of the Asylum from its present pressure.

Out County Patients discharged.

Your Committee on the 31st of July last, in consequence of the crowded state of the Asylum, directed Dr. Bacon to take the necessary steps to remove all the Out-County Patients from the Asylum, which was accordingly done and four Patients of that class left the Asylum shortly after that date.

Repairs and New Works carried out.

Your Committee beg to append hereto, the Report of Mr. R. R. Rowe, their Standing Architect, showing the Repairs and New Works carried out at the Asylum during the past year, some of which will be found to have been of an extensive character.

Orders on the County, Isle, and Borough for Landlords Repairs.

During the past year your Committee have under the 38th Section of the Lunatic Asylums Act, 1853, made Orders on the Treasurers of the County, Isle and Borough for the amounts, and in the proportions stated below for ordinary Repairs of the Asylum :—

1876.	County 9-19ths.			Isle. 7-19ths.			Borough. 3-19ths.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
February 28...	580	1	10	451	3	8	193	7	4	1224	12	10
May 22.....	229	9	5	178	9	6	76	9	10	484	8	9
August 28 ...	108	18	4	84	14	3	36	6	2	229	18	9
November 27..	123	6	9	95	18	7	41	2	3	260	7	7
	1041	16	4	810	6	0	347	5	7	2199	7	11

Cost of Maintenance of Patients in 1876

The following were the charges per head per week fixed by your Committee for maintenance of Patients in the Asylum during the past year, viz.: 13s. 5d. for the two Quarters ended 30th of June last; 9s. 11d. for the Quarter ended the 30th of September last; and 12s. 3d. for the Quarter ending the 31st of December instant.

Your Committee desire to explain that the great reduction in the charge of 13s. 15d. for the June Quarter to 9s. 11d. for the September Quarter, is

occasioned by the fact, that in the latter Quarter the profit of the Garden and Farm is credited to the Maintenance Account and the actual cost of the Patients in the Asylum is thus reduced.

In future the charge for maintenance to be made for the year on basis of cost of previous year.

In order to prevent in future the variation in the charges for maintenance of Patients in the Asylum, your Committee at their Meeting in October last passed the following Resolution:—

"Ordered, that the Finance Sub-Committee at their Meeting to be held in January in each year, fix the charge to be made for the maintenance of Patients in the Asylum throughout the then current year, upon the basis of the average charge per head per week of each Patient during the then past year, but subject to the power of the Committee to increase or decrease such charge at any time in case they see fit."

Lunatics and Idiots charged to County, Isle, and Borough in the years 1862 & 1875.

In February last the Clerk to the Visitors prepared a Tabular Statement, shewing the number of Lunatics and Idiots chargeable to Unions in the County, Isle and Borough, and those with friends on the 31st of December, 1875, compiled from the Annual Returns from Clerks to Guardians, and as the Asylum is now in an over-crowded state, and your Committee are taking active steps to provide additional accommodation therein; it may be interesting to contrast with that statement the numbers of the same class of Insane persons chargeable on the 31st of December, 1862, appearing in a similar Table appended to the Fifth Annual Report of the Visitors, being the first table of that kind published.

From this it will be seen that although the numbers of Lunatics and Idiots in Workhouses and those

with Friends in 1862, were nearly the same as those in 1875; the Patients actually in Asylums have increased from 180 in 1862, to 277 in 1875, being an increase of 97 Patients in 13 years, or more than 50 per cent. during that period:—

	In Asylums.		In Workhouses.		With Friends elsewhere.		Totals.	
	1862	1875	1862	1875	1862	1875	1862	1875
County	81	116	28	19	71	54	180	189
Isle	65	111	25	32	19	13	109	156
Borough ...	34	50	7	9	9	20	50	79
	180	277	60	60	99	87	339	424

New Rule as to Artizan's Wages during illness.

Your Committee at their Meeting held on the 27th of March last, in consequence of there being no definite Rule as to the payment of Wages to Attendants and Artizans in the Asylum during illness, passed the following Resolution on the subject:—

"That when any Artizan in the employ of the Visitors falls ill and is unable to work, the question of wages after the week in which he falls ill, and during such illness shall be submitted to the consideration of the House Committee on the Monthly Meeting whichever shall first meet, and that in future no wages shall be paid to Artizans during illness, except on an order from the House Committee or the Monthly Board."

Several Attendants absconded during the year.

Your Committee regret to have to report that during the past year several of the Attendants of the Asylum have absconded from their duties without notice, or before their notices of resignation had expired.

Form of Obligation to be signed on Persons taking office at the Asylum.

In order to improve the discipline of the Asylum your Committee has prepared a form of obligation to be signed by all persons in future appointed to office in the Asylum, which will enable the visitors to discharge Attendants without warning, for acts of unkindness to Patients, disobedience of orders, intemperance or transgression of the Rules, and to declare that a Month's wages of such offenders shall be forfeited.

Case of Samuel Hoodless.

Your Committee also had occasion to investigate the circumstances attending the loss of 4 gallons of Brandy from the Asylum Stores, which resulted in the discovery that Samuel Hoodless, the head Male Attendant, had a key to the Store Room. Hoodless admitted that he had given brandy to Artizans and others in the Asylum, but stated that the brandy so given was his own property.

Your Committee, however, on the 28th February last, passed a resolution that Hoodless did not possess their confidence, and that his services would not be required after the 27th March last, and he accordingly resigned his office on that day.

Case of Henry Skelton.

On the 28th February last, Dr. Bacon reported to your Committee that an Attendant named Henry Skelton had been guilty of assaulting a Patient named Edward Taylor. The matter was commented on by the two Commissioners in Lunacy on their inspection of the Asylum at the time, but the Attendant resigned his office the day after the assault had been committed.

In April last your Committee discharged Henry Crompton, an Attendant at the Asylum, for making a counterfeit key, of brass, by which he could open the Stores, Cellars, and any other doors in the Asylum, and his dismissal was reported to the Commissioners in Lunacy. Case of Henry Crompton.

The Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy on their inspection of the Asylum on the 24th of February last, together with other Reports herein referred to, will be printed as an appendix to this Report at the usual period.

OLIVER CLAUDE PELL,
Chairman.

THE ASYLUM, FULBOURN,
27th December, 1876.

APPENDIX

TO THE

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE OF VISITORS.

Containing Reports therein referred to.

Special Report of the Visitors of 22nd May, 1876, referred to at page 6.

To Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Cambridge and Isle of Ely respectively, in Quarter Sessions assembled, and to the Town Council of the Borough of Cambridge.

The Committee of Visitors of the Cambridgeshire, Isle of Ely, and Borough of Cambridge Pauper Lunatic Asylum, beg specially to Report as follows:—

1. In laying Plans and Specifications for the Enlargement of the above-named Asylum before you, your Committee wish to recall the circumstances under which they have been prepared.

2. Owing to the constantly increasing number of Patients in the Asylum, the building in or about the year 1870 was found, amongst other deficiencies, deficient in cubical space required for the accommodation of the patients then in the Asylum.

3. Ever since the year 1870 your Committee have therefore been engaged in attempts to add to the Asylum, and Plans and Specifications necessary for the purpose have, from time to time, been drawn at a considerable expenditure of the rates.

4. This expenditure has hitherto produced no result, owing to the failure of agreement among the three bodies and the Commissioners in Lunacy. Plans and Specifications having in some cases been agreed to by two out of three bodies, and refused (though subsequently agreed to) by the third; and in another case having been agreed to by the three bodies, and then refused by the Commissioners in Lunacy.

5. Your Committee, having thus failed in procuring agreement to any definite plans proposed by them for satisfying the acknowledged requirements of the Asylum, shrank from a further expenditure of money in the preparation of Plans and Specifications without having first secured your positive direction and authority, and that of the Commissioners in Lunacy, not only as to the general question of making additions to the Asylum, but also as to the precise nature and extent of such additions.

6. Your Committee therefore, finding that the deficiencies in the Asylum and the evils consequent on such deficiencies, were constantly on the increase, and adhering to the principle of obtaining your precise directions and the sanction of the Commissioners in Lunacy, they, on the 26th of October, 1874, made a

Special Report (to be found in the appendix to and at page 21 of their Seventeenth Annual Report), requesting your authority to prepare Plans and Estimates to carry out the additions and alterations proposed as necessary, or such portions of them as should be thought fit by you.

7. The Town Council of the Borough, on the 9th of November, 1874; the Quarter Sessions for the Isle, on the 10th November, 1874; and the Quarter Sessions for the County, on the 7th January, 1875, by special orders adopted the whole of the proposals of your Committee contained in their Report of the 26th October, 1874, and gave directions and authority to your Committee to prepare Plans and Estimates to provide—

i. Additional day space accommodation for 65 Males and 65 Females.

ii. Additional bed accommodation on the Male side for 10 patients, and on the Female side for 20 patients.

iii. Privy accommodation so as to afford a seat for every 20 patients.

iv. An addition and re-arrangement of bath accommodation.

v. Dining Halls on each side of the Asylum.

8. Acting upon this direction and authority, your Committee directed the Architect to prepare the

necessary Plans and Specifications, subject to the control and approval of a Special Sub-Committee, consisting of the Lord Lieutenant of the County, Colonel Wale, and Messrs. Hicks, Webb, Rance, Goodman, and Pell; and also subject to the sanction of the Commissioners in Lunacy.

9. The Plans and Specifications thus prepared by the Architect, and now laid before you, have been sanctioned by the Commissioners in Lunacy, and also unanimously approved by the Building Sub-Committee, under whose supervision this Special Report has been prepared.

10. The Plans and Specifications faithfully carry out the works named above, as having been directed and authorized to be carried out by your orders, dated respectively November 9th, 1874; November 10th, 1874; and January 7th, 1875.

11. Your Committee, however, wish to direct your attention to Plan No. 1. On it you will see the letter *A*. In order to obtain the requisite day space, it was necessary to widen a day room on the ground-floor on each side of the Asylum in front of the building; and it was the original intention of the Architect to obtain this increased width by a lean-to of a height ending at the point *A*. This would have necessitated the insertion of many very heavy and expensive iron girders, besides causing some disfigurement of the building. It was suggested, however, by the Commissioners in Lunacy that this objectionable feature of the

Plans might be removed by carrying the increased width up through the upper floor of the building to the roof; and the Architect has distinctly informed the Building Sub-Committee that this proposal of the Commissioners in Lunacy can and will be carried out for the same expense as if the work ended at the point *A*; the necessity for the expensive iron girders being thus obviated.

12. Your Committee mention this because in carrying up the increased width the cubical space will be somewhat increased in the dormitory above, and will in that event give a slight increase of bed accommodation above what they were directed and authorized by you to provide; and it has been the anxious desire of your Committee and the Building Sub-Committee to keep precisely within the terms of their authority.

13. Your Committee wish to draw attention to the Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy, dated July 8th, 1875, and printed at page 26 of their last Annual Report, in which they describe the Asylum as being at that date *dangerously overcrowded.* On that day the Asylum contained 269 patients after an exceptional loss by death since their previous Report. The number of patients in the Asylum this day is 298, showing a further increase of "dangerous overcrowding" to the amount of 29 patients.

14. Your Committee beg to state that the greatest care has been taken to act in accordance with your direction. They hope, therefore, that the Plans, Speci-

fications, and Estimates will be agreed to, and that the necessary sum of £13,000 granted without undue delay. The advisability of this is all the more obvious when it is remembered that the maturing of a scheme like the present by a Committee of Visitors (the individual members of which constantly change), and the obtaining of a legal agreement of three bodies situated as the County, Isle, and Borough are, and of the Commissioners in Lunacy, necessitates the lapse of a considerable amount of time, and a lengthened endurance of the many evils which must occur in an overcrowded establishment.

15. On your approval of the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates, and the grant of the necessary Funds, your Committee will proceed in the matter; but they propose to spread the work over the next few years, commencing and carrying out that portion of it which is more immediately necessary—first on the Men's side, and then on the Women's; and they think that if the sum of £13,000 is granted by you for the completion of the work, and which sum your Committee now ask to be granted, there will be no necessity to call for the payment of more than the sum of £2,000 in any one year, and that such a payment will not (considering the urgency of the case) put any undue pressure on the rates, while, at the same time, the health of the patients will be secured.

Under the foregoing circumstances, your Committee beg the several Courts will grant the above-named

sum of £13,000, in the usual proportions, viz.:—

	£	s.	d.
County, 9-19ths	6157	17	11
Isle, 7-19ths.....	4789	9	6
Borough, 3-19ths.....	2052	12	7
	£13,000	0	0

OLIVER CLAUDE PELL,
Chairman.

THE ASYLUM, FULBOURN,
22nd May, 1876.

CAMBRIDGE,
27 *December*, 1876.

To the Visitors of the Cambridgeshire Asylum.

GENTLEMEN,

Mr. Rowe's Report, referred to at page 9.

I beg to report that during the past year the following works have been executed:—

Hot Water Tanks.—For hot water service in the wards and baths there are two cast-iron tanks in the roofs over the Male and Female wings respectively, heated by the injection of high pressure steam from the engine boiler; the percussion of cold water by the steam had, ever since the erection of the Asylum, been an annoyance from noise, leakage from vibration, and choking of drains from the chalk deposit carried over with the exhaust steam. The tanks have been soundly

caulked and fitted with coils of steam pipe, having their outlets in new dumb wells sunk into the clunch soil.

Roofs and Ceilings.—The soddened ceilings under the hot water tanks, other plaster ceilings that fell from originally bad workmanship and materials, a leaky gutter over the Assistant Medical Officer's room, and some defective slating, have been renewed.

Steam Boilers and Pumps.—A crack having been detected in an upper plate of the old boiler, a new plate was fitted and fixed over the fracture: the boiler was subjected to an hydraulic test of 100 pounds on the square inch, which it fairly sustained.

With a steam pressure of 50 pounds on the square inch and the new engine working at high speed as a steam fire engine to throw jets of water by hose to the roofs of the Asylum, it was found that the pump rods were slightly too weak for this strain upon them, they have been stiffened by encasement with wrought iron gas tubing, and now work free from vibration. New gun metal valves have been inserted in the rising main.

The steam pipe from the Engine Boiler to the Cooking Boilers is subject to priming, whereby a chalk deposit occasionally reduces the bore of the pipe near the Engine House; probably the construction of a Syphon to arrest the deposit at this point would reduce the inconvenience now felt.

Cooking Boilers.—Five new wrought iron Cooking Boilers have been fixed with Syphon Boxes

in the floor, and a boarded screen overhead, to remove, as far as practicable, waste steam from the Cook House.

A Copper Tea-making Apparatus of the best construction has also been provided.

Male Infirmary.—The extension of the Male Infirmary, by the erection of a New Wing, is fast approaching completion.

Execution of Work.—The Steam Boiler was tested by Messrs. Ransome and Simms, of Ipswich; the Cooking and Tea Boilers were supplied by Pontifex and Wood, of London; and all the other works upon the premises were executed by the regular Asylum Staff (and additional hired workmen for the Infirmary Building) in a substantial and satisfactory manner.

I have honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Your obebient Servant,
R. REYNOLDS ROWE, Memb. Inst. C. E.
Standing Architect to the Visitors.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE ASYLUM,
FULBOURN,
February 23rd, 1876.

Commissioners' Report, referred to at page 13.

THE numbers here have increased since the last visit, which was on the 8th July. At that time there were 269 patients; there are now 285, viz., 129 men, and 156 women.

The weekly charge for the present quarter is 13s. 5d.

Since the last visit the following have been—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Admitted	27	32	59
Discharged	9	13	22
Died	12	13	25

Seventeen recoveries are reported.

The mortality has again been very high, namely, at the rate of about 14 per cent. per annum on the average daily number resident, which is about 4 per cent. above the average rate in County Asylums.

The assigned causes of death are—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
General Paralysis	1	1	2
Epilepsy	0	1	1
Other forms of Brain Disease, including those ending in ordinary Paralysis and Apoplexy	3	0	3
Exhaustion of after Mania and Melancholia	3	2	5
Pulmonary Consumption	1	4	5
Other forms of Lung Disease and Disease of the Heart	3	2	5
Senile Decay	0	1	1
Cancer	0	1	1
Erysipelas	0	1	1
Other Ordinary Causes	1	0	1
	12	13	25

Post mortem examinations have been made in 14 cases.

A Coroner's inquest has been held in one instance only, when the following verdict was returned:—"That W. T. died from inflammation and congestion of the left lung, supervening on an injury to the left side shoulder and arm, caused by a fall whilst being undressed for the purpose of being bathed by the attendant."

The injury referred to occurred during Dr. Bacon's absence on leave, and when the Asylum was in charge of his *locum tenens*. The attendant was dismissed, it being proved that he was at least negligent of his duty in not reporting the fall to the Medical Officer.

The fatal case of erysipelas occurred two days ago.

Though no patient is at present suffering from this disease, its recent re-appearance on the female side in the present crowded state of the house, and with the defective sanitary arrangements as regards the position and insufficient number of the water closets, is a source of much anxiety.

Those last week under medical treatment were 6 men and 12 women, and there were 5 of each sex in bed to-day. None, however, were in seclusion; and, since the last visit, this has been resorted to only in the cases of one patient of each sex. The man, a most violent epileptic, was thus treated, during his attacks, on 11 occasions, for a total duration of 112 hours; but the woman on one occasion only for six hours.

A patient of each sex is absent on trial. The remainder we have seen. There was great quiet and

order amongst them, they appear contented with their treatment, and the complaints even with regard to detention here at all, were comparatively few. Our attention was, however, drawn to a patient (E. T.) who had a black eye. He complained of having been struck yesterday by an attendant. The circumstances had already been investigated by Dr. Bacon, and the attendant had been sent away this morning. We believe the assault to have been almost unprovoked, and to admit of no excuse, but the evidence elicited by our own inquiries did not seem sufficient to ensure a conviction, or we should certainly have recommended criminal proceedings to be taken.

The dinner to-day which we saw served in some of the male wards, was a good one, consisting of boiled beef, with parsnips, bread, and beer.

Nearly all in both divisions have a change of suits for Sundays, and the dress in which we saw them to-day was fairly good.

The wards were clean, but the atmosphere in female ward No. 2, occupied by patients of the least favourable class, was, necessarily, owing to over-crowding, somewhat tainted. The leakage of a hot water tank has done some damage to a portion of the wall of one of the upper dormitories. The bedding is in good condition, and seems well kept by the attendants. The staff of attendants is the same as at the last visit, their wages are unaltered, and we were

glad to hear that trouble had not been experienced from frequent changes amongst them. From 15 to 20 patients of each sex go occasionally to the village church on Sundays; on the afternoon of which day there is still a service in the Chapel here attended by from 70 to 80 men, and about the same number of women.

The returns of the numbers employed are satisfactory, and all shoes and clothes are made on the premises.

The weekly dance continues, and other entertainments are sometimes given.

The most important structural improvement effected since the last visit is the removal of the wall between the wash-houses, and the introduction of a lantern in the roof to promote ventilation.

The Board are already aware that, after several communications with the Committee and conferences with the Architect, plans for the enlargement and improvement of the Asylum were ultimately decided on in October last, which the Commissioners agreed to recommend for the approval of the Secretary of State. The Architect has since been engaged in preparing working drawings and estimates, with the view to the formal approval of the expenditure by the several bodies in union; but we learn that this cannot in each case be obtained until the Easter sessions. The delay in proceeding with the work is much to be

regretted, and when commenced, we hope that it will be pressed forward with the utmost expedition.

We regret to report that the Asylum is still without the services of an Assistant Medical Officer; but the Superintendent, unaided, continues to devote himself zealously and assiduously to the discharge of his duties.

GREVILLE HOWARD,
JOHN D. CLEATON,
Commissioners in Lunacy.

THE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

County Asylum,

27 *December*, 1876.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my 19th Annual Report as Chaplain of this Asylum.

During the past year—as in former years—I have visited the sick, buried the dead, and performed the appointed Services in the Chapel; and I am glad to say that I have had gratifying proofs that my ministrations among the Patients have not been without good results. These results I could easily give in detail if necessary.

With regard to the behaviour of the Patients in the Chapel, I can only repeat what I have often stated in former Reports, that it is most exemplary; and I desire particularly to state that the behaviour of those Patients who come to the Church at Cherry Hinton is also most exemplary. In fact, if the Patients were dressed in more fashionable attire, and a stranger were to come into the Church, I am confident that the stranger would not be aware that they were persons of disordered intellect.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
W. S. PARISH,
Chaplain.

REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT

TO THE

COMMITTEE OF VISITORS,

FOR THE YEAR 1876.

January, 1877.

The close of the year leaves 308 patients in the Asylum, viz., 150 males and 158 females.

The Admissions during the past year have been more numerous than in any previous one, since the exclusion of out-county patients.

Fifty-four males and 46 females have been admitted, making a total of 100.

The Recoveries have been at about the average ratio per cent. on the admissions, and have numbered 29 in all,

viz., 14 males and 15 females. Death, which was so busy in 1875 among the patients, has this year acted, perhaps as a friend, to 34, *i.e.*, to 14 males and 20 females, instead of, as in the preceding year, to 25 males and 29 females.

There has been nothing very remarkable in the forms of the deaths except in two instances, viz, in that of one old woman, who died suddenly from what was ascertained *post mortem* to be rupture of the heart; and in the other case a woman, in a state of maniacal frenzy stuffed her mouth full of pieces of a blanket during the night, and thus suffocated herself, apparently without any direct suicidal design.

While, however, the death-rate has been comparatively low, and presents a favourable contrast to that of the previous year; there are some features in it which are not pleasant. One of the deaths was due to Erysipelas, and not less than 6 were caused by Diarrhœa, while 4 patients died from Phthisis. During January, Erysipelas prevailed on the female side, and, in June and July, Diarrhœa of a serious and persistent character attacked the male wards. Several of the cases died, and those who recovered only escaped after a grave and protracted illness. There were no remediable causes to be dealt with, and as the crowded and unhealthy state of the wards seemed the principal cause, the recreation room was utilized as a ward, and the patients were separated, as much as possible, in the limited space at disposal.

There has been no serious injury to any patient during the year. One boy broke his patella in a fall, and a woman fell out of bed and so fractured her clavicle.

The general provision for the patients has continued on the same scale as in former years, although the charge for maintenance has exceeded that of last year by 4s. 4d. a head for the whole twelvemonth.

The sums expended during the last few years in improving and repairing the building have already received their justification in the facilities they have rendered to the proper working of the establishment. More especially is this remark true of the workshops, without which it would have been impossible to carry out the building operations which have already proved of such economical value to the County, Isle, and Borough.

The late baker and storekeeper, Walter J. Howell, died after a very short illness on March 13th last. I gladly acknowledge the excellence of his character and services here, as a bright spot amidst many things which have been unsatisfactory in the behaviour of some of the attendants. Cut off at the early age of 24, and in the activity of a well spent life he was deservedly regretted by all who knew him.

Mr. Hoodless, who served the office of Head Attendant for several years, has been succeeded by Mr. Thorne, who had had considerable experience at

the Broadmoor Criminal Asylum, and has proved himself an able and efficient officer. Among the appended Tables will be found one recording the principal meteorological features of the year. This is compiled from daily observations made on the grounds by Mr. J. Scott, the gardener and bailiff, who has laboured at the work with an enthusiasm, which cannot be too highly commended.

G. MACKENZIE BACON, M.D.

To the Committee of Visitors.

TABLE I.

Showing the Admissions, Re-admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the year 1876.

	Male.	Fem.	Total.	Male.	Fem.	Total.
In Asylum, 1st January, 1876				128	153	281
	Male.	Fem.	Total.			
Admitted for the first time during the year 1876	48	44	92			
Re-admitted during the year	6	2	8			
Total admitted				54	46	100
Total under care during the year				182	199	381
Discharged or Removed :						
	Male.	Fem.	Total.			
Recovered	14	15	29			
Relieved	1	4	5			
Not Improved	3	2	5			
Died	14	20	34			
Total discharged and died during the year ...				32	41	73
Remaining in the Asylum, Dec. 31st, 1876 ...				150	158	308
Average number resident during the year ...				140	157	297

TABLE II.

Showing the Admissions, Re-admissions, and Discharges, from the opening of the Asylum, to the present date, Dec. 31st, 1876.

	Male.	Fem.	Total.
Persons admitted during the period of 18 years and more, that is, since Nov. 2nd, 1858	704	767	1471
Re-admissions	85	113	198
Total of Cases admitted	789	880	1669
Discharged or Removed:			

	Male.	Fem.	Total.
Recovered	261	343	604
Relieved	70	74	144
Not Improved	29	36	65
Died	279	269	548

	Male.	Fem.	Total.
Total discharged and died during the 18 years and more	639	722	1361
Remaining, December 31st, 1876	150	158	308
Average number resident during the 18 years	125	143	268

TABLE III.

Showing the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, with the Mean Annual Mortality and Proportion of Recoveries per cent. of the Admissions for each year since the opening of the Asylum.

Year.	Admitted.			Discharged.									Died.			Remaining 31st Dec. in each year.			Average No. Resident.			Per centage of Recoveries on Admissions.			Per centage of Deaths on average No. Resident.		
				Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improved.																	
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
1858...	60	58	118	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	59	56	115	45	45	90	...	1 7	.8	2.2	2.2	2.2
1859...	40	37	77	14	12	26	2	...	2	1	...	1	7	3	10	74	78	152	73	74	147	35	32.4	33.7	9.5	40.5	6.8
1860...	40	59	99	5	17	22	4	1	5	...	...	...	18	9	27	87	110	197	82	96	178	12.5	28 8	22.2	21.9	9.3	15.1
1861...	59	67	126	14	29	43	2	1	3	4	1	5	17	11	28	109	135	244	96	131	227	22.3	43 2	34.1	17.7	8.3	12.3
1862...	47	44	91	15	22	37	3	2	5	...	1	1	15	12	27	123	142	265	116	138	254	31 9	50	40.6	12.9	8.6	10.6
1863...	45	46	91	16	18	34	4	1	5	2	...	2	14	17	31	133	152	285	130	148	278	35 5	39 1	37.3	10.7	11.4	11.1
1864...	39	43	82	16	17	33	4	18	22	...	3	3	16	9	25	136	148	284	137	151	288	41.	39.5	40.2	11.6	5.9	8.6
1865...	42	47	89	20	20	40	2	3	5	...	...	...	16	13	29	140	159	299	136	152	288	47.6	42 5	44.9	11.7	9.5	10.6
1866...	40	50	90	10	24	34	10	8	18	8	16	24	18	15	33	133	146	279	144	162	306	25.	48.	37.7	12.5	9.2	10.7
1867...	30	45	75	17	25	42	7	1	8	...	...	...	11	20	31	128	145	273	126	146	272	56.6	55.5	56.	8.7	13.6	11.3
1868...	40	48	88	14	19	33	1	6	7	4	2	6	15	10	25	134	156	290	135	149	284	35.	39.5	37.5	11.1	6.7	8.8
1869...	30	45	75	13	16	29	3	2	5	1	8	9	21	27	48	126	148	274	133	158	291	43.3	35.5	38.6	15.7	17.	16.4
1870...	38	43	81	11	22	33	18	13	31	2	...	2	11	11	22	122	145	267	128	149	277	28 9	51.1	40.7	8.5	7.3	8.3
1871...	38	29	67	17	16	33	1	6	7	1	...	1	16	16	32	125	136	261	125	138	263	44.7	55 1	49.2	12.8	11.5	12.1
1872...	33	45	78	15	18	33	3	2	5	2	...	2	13	14	27	125	147	272	123	143	266	45 4	41.	42.3	10.5	9.7	10.1
1873...	30	38	68	14	17	31	...	...	...	...	2	2	16	18	34	125	148	273	127	150	277	46.2	44.7	45.5	12.4	12.	12.2
1874...	41	38	79	9	17	26	...	1	1	1	1	2	14	14	28	142	153	295	133	153	286	21.9	44 7	32 9	10.5	9.1	9.7
1875...	43	52	95	27	18	45	5	5	10	...	...	...	25	29	54	128	153	281	130	150	280	62 7	34 6	47.3	19.2	19.3	19.2
1876...	54	46	100	14	15	29	1	4	5	3	2	5	14	20	34	150	158	308	140	157	297	25.9	32 6	29.0	10.0	12.7	11.4
Total.	789	880	1669	261	343	604	70	74	144	29	36	65	279	269	548	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	...	...

TABLE IV.

Showing the History of the Annual Admissions since the opening of the Asylum, with the Discharges and Deaths and the Numbers of each Year remaining on the 31st December, 1876.

Year.	Admitted. New Cases. Male.	Admitted. New Cases. Female.	Admitted. Relapsed Cases. Male.	Admitted. Relapsed Cases. Female.	Admitted. Total.	Of each Year's Admissions Discharged and Died in 1876. Recovered. Male.	Recovered. Female.	Recovered. Total.	Relieved. Male.	Relieved. Female.	Relieved. Total.	Not Improved. Male.	Not Improved. Female.	Not Improved. Total.	Died. Male.	Died. Female.	Died. Total.	Total Discharged and Died of each Year's Admissions to 31st December, 1876. Recovered. Male.	Recovered. Female.	Recovered. Total.	Relieved. Male.	Relieved. Female.	Relieved. Total.	Not Improved. Male.	Not Improved. Female.	Not Improved. Total.	Died. Male.	Died. Female.	Died. Total.	Remaining of each Year's Admissions, 31 Dec., 1876. Male.	Remaining. Female.	Remaining. Total.
1858...	60	58	...	...	118	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4	9	13	2	...	2	...	...	...	33	34	67	21	15	36
1859...	39	37	1	...	77	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	20	34	4	3	7	1	...	1	16	11	27	5	3	8
1860...	35	57	5	2	99	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	21	30	7	12	19	4	5	9	16	17	33	4	4	8
1861...	55	60	4	7	126	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	31	49	6	10	16	4	11	15	25	11	36	6	4	10
1862...	41	42	6	2	91	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	14	31	5	5	10	2	3	5	17	18	35	6	4	10
1863...	41	42	4	4	91	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	19	33	4	4	8	3	2	5	22	16	38	2	5	7
1864...	37	38	2	5	82	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	18	34	7	7	14	...	1	1	12	16	28	4	1	5
1865...	38	43	4	4	89	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	24	40	6	3	9	1	4	5	13	11	24	6	5	11
1866...	38	42	2	8	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	20	32	7	4	11	4	2	6	13	20	33	4	4	8
1867...	25	36	5	9	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	24	39	4	2	6	...	2	2	10	9	19	1	8	9
1868...	33	36	7	12	88	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	15	16	31	3	5	8	3	1	4	16	21	37	3	5	8
1869...	27	36	3	9	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	23	33	4	2	6	1	...	1	14	9	23	1	11	12
1870...	33	30	5	13	81	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	15	18	33	3	4	7	1	...	1	11	12	23	8	9	17
1871...	30	18	8	11	67	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	19	14	33	...	2	2	2	...	2	10	6	16	7	7	14
1872...	26	41	7	4	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	13	15	28	2	1	3	1	...	1	13	17	30	4	12	16
1873...	23	27	7	11	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	9	12	21	...	1	1	...	4	4	11	13	24	10	8	18
1874...	36	35	5	3	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	16	16	32	4	3	7	...	...	..	9	12	21	12	7	19
1875...	39	45	4	7	95	3	4	7	1	1	2	1	1	2	5	6	11	18	18	36	2	3	5	1	1	2	10	13	23	12	17	29
1876...	48	44	6	2	100	11	10	21	...	3	3	1	...	1	8	4	12	11	10	21	...	3	3	1	...	1	8	4	12	34	29	63
Total..	704	767	85	113	1669	14	15	29	1	4	5	3	2	5	14	20	34	261	342	603	70	74	144	29	36	65	279	270	549	150	158	308

TABLE V.

Showing the Causes of Death during the Year.

Cause of Death.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Cerebral or Spinal Disease.			
Apoplexy and Paralysis	0	0	0
Epilepsy and Convulsions	1	0	1
General Paralysis.....	1	1	2
Maniacal and Melancholic Exhaustion or Decay.....	1	3	4
Inflammation and other Diseases of the Brain, Softening, Tumours, &c.	3	2	5
Thoracic Disease.			
Inflammation of the Lungs, Pleuræ and Bronchi	1	0	1
Pulmonary Consumption.....	0	4	4
Disease of the Heart	0	1	1
Rupture ditto	0	1	1
Abdominal Disease.			
Diarrhœa	6	1	7
Colloid Cancer	0	1	1
Erysipelas	0	1	1
General Debility and Old Age ...	1	4	5
Asphyxia (Suicide)	0	1	1
Total	14	20	34

TABLE VI.

Showing the length of Residence of those Discharged Recovered, and in those who have Died during the year 1876.

Length of Residence.	Recovered.			Died.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Under 1 month	0	2	2	1	2	3
From 1 to 3 months	7	5	12	7	3	10
,, 3 ,, 6 ,, ...	3	7	10	2	1	3
,, 6 ,, 9 ,, ...	3	0	3	0	1	1
,, 9 ,, 12 ,, ...	1	0	1	2	1	3
,, 1 ,, 2 years	0	0	0	1	5	6
,, 2 ,, 3 ,, ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
,, 3 ,, 5 ,, ...	0	0	0	1	2	3
,, 5 ,, 7 ,, ...	0	0	0	0	1	1
,, 7 ,, 10 ,, ...	0	1	1	0	1	1
,, 10 ,, ...	0	0	0	0	3	3
Total	14	15	29	14	20	34

TABLE VII.

Showing the Duration of the Disorder on Admission in the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1876.

Class.	Duration of Disease on Admission in Four Classes.											
	The Admissions.			The Discharges.						The Deaths.		
				Recovered.			Removed (Relieved, or otherwise.)					
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
First Class— First attack, and within three months on admission	24	22	46	10	5	15	2	3	5	7	7	14
Second Class— First attack, above three and within twelve months on admission	6	5	11	1	3	4	1	1	2	1	3	4
Third Class— Not first attack, and within twelve months on admission....	9	8	17	2	4	6	...	1	1	2	3	5
Fourth Class— First attack or not, but of more than twelve months on admission	8	8	16	...	3	3	1	1	2	2	4	6
Not ascertained	7	3	10	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	3	5
Total.....	54	46	100	14	15	29	4	6	10	14	20	34

TABLE VIII.

Showing the Ages of the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1876.

Ages.	The Admissions.			The Discharges.						The Deaths.		
				Recovered.			Removed (Relieved, or otherwise.)					
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
From 5 to 10 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
,, 10 15 ,, ...	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
,, 15 20 ,, ...	1	3	4	...	2	2	1	...	1	...	...	...
,, 20 30 ,, ...	10	8	18	7	2	9	1	...	1	1	1	2
,, 30 40 ,, ...	13	10	23	1	3	4	...	1	1	2	3	5
,, 40 50 ,, ...	6	6	12	...	4	4	...	2	2	3	...	3
,, 50 60 ,, ...	10	3	13	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	4
,, 60 70 ,, ...	8	9	17	2	2	4	1	1	2	3	6	9
,, 70 80 ,, ...	4	4	8	2	1	3	...	1	1	2	5	7
,, 80 90 ,, ...	1	1	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	4
,, 90 and upwards.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
,, Not ascertained.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	54	46	100	14	15	29	4	6	10	14	20	34

TABLE IX.

Condition as to Marriage in the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1876.

Condition in Reference to Marriage.	The Admissions.			The Discharges.						The Deaths.		
				Recovered.			Removed (Relieved, or otherwise.)					
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Single	22	18	40	7	6	13	1	3	4	2	3	5
Married	25	23	48	4	7	11	2	3	5	8	9	17
Widowed	7	4	11	3	2	5	...	...	...	4	8	12
Not ascertained... ..	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
Total	54	46	100	14	15	29	4	6	10	14	20	34

TABLE X.

Showing the Admissions and Deaths during each Month in the Year.

	Admissions.			Deaths.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
January	4	4	8	2	2	4
February	1	5	6	2	3	5
March	5	3	8	0	2	2
April	12	3	15	0	1	1
May	3	4	7	0	2	2
June	2	9	11	1	1	2
July	5	3	8	2	1	3
August	9	6	15	2	2	4
September	4	4	8	2	3	5
October	1	2	3	2	1	3
November	2	2	4	1	2	3
December	6	1	7	0	0	0
Total	54	46	100	14	20	34

TABLE XI.

Showing the Form of Mental Disorder in those Admitted.

	Male.	Female.	Total.
Mania	29	25	54
,, Acute...	1	5	6
,, Epileptic	3	0	3
Melancholia	4	3	7
Dementia	12	2	14
,, Acute	0	1	1
,, Senile	1	4	5
General Paralysis	2	1	3
Imbecility	1	3	4
Idiocy	1	2	3
Total	54	46	100

SUMMARY OF

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS FOR 1876,

Taken at Fulbourn Asylum, 67 Feet above the Sea Level.

Means of Observations for each Month.

1876.	Barometer corrected & reduced.	Temperature.		Humidity.	Rainfall.
		Max.	Min.		
January	31.073	39.7	28.5	82.5	.058
February	29.727	44.3	33.3	77.7	.068
March	29.523	46.4	31.1	77.6	.072
April	29.745	56.6	34.4	75.8	.073
May	29.831	59.6	34.8	57.0	.010
June	29.964	68.3	43.9	63.5	.060
July	29.967	78.6	49.9	62.3	.020
August	29.883	75.6	46.9	62.4	.051
September	29.747	62.9	43.8	83.9	.137
October	29.881	58.09	41.8	86.4	.046
November	29.839	45.96	34.6	28.8	.087
December	29.483	44.2	34.6	91.5	.106

REMARKS.

January.—The highest temperature in the air during this month was 51, on the 29th; the lowest 17, on the 12th, the range being 34. Snow fell on the 6th, 9th, 11th, and 18th. Rain fell on 10 days, the total amount being 1.81 inch.

February.—Highest temperature, 56, on 19th; lowest 21 on 10th; range, 35. Snow fell on 14th. Rain fell on 19 days; total amount, 2 inches.

March.—Highest temperature, 57, on 29th; lowest, 18, on 22nd; range, 39. Snow fell on 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd. Rain fell on 20 days; total amount, 2.26 inches.

April.—Highest temperature, 69, on the 9th; lowest, 21, on the 16th; range, 48. Rain fell on 19 days; total amount, 2.19 inches.

May.—Highest temperature, 71, on 22nd and 31st; lowest, 25, on 4th and 14th; range, 46. Rain fell on 11 days; total amount, .49 inch.

June.—Highest temperature, 82, on 13th and 22nd; lowest, 34, on the 10th; range, 48. Rain fell on 12 days; total amount, 1.99 inch.

July.—Highest temperature, 93, on the 15th; lowest, 38, on the 18th; range, 55. Rain fell on 10 days; total amount, .74 inch.

August.—Highest temperature, 97, on the 15th; lowest, 34, on the 26th; range, 63. Rain fell on 16 days; total amount, 1.60 inch.

September.—Highest temperature, 71, on the 6th; lowest, 32, on the 16th; range, 39. Rain fell on 21 days; total amount, 4.12 inches.

October.—Highest temperature, 68, on the 6th; lowest, 44, on the 24th; range, 24. Rain fell on 15 days; total amount, 1.44 inch.

November.—Highest temperature, 58, on the 5th and 16th; lowest, 23, on the 11th; range 35. Rain fell on 19 days; total amount, 2.62 inches.

December.—Highest temperature, 56, on the 8th; lowest 26, on the 26th; range, 30. Rain fell on 25 days; total amount, 4.85 inches.

DIRECTION OF WIND.

1876.	No. of Days.								Total Rainfall in inches.
	N	NW	NE	S	SW	SE	E	W	
January	6	0	3	8	6	4	1	3	1.81
February	1	6	1	3	12	4	0	2	2.0
March	1	2	2	2	11	2	3	8	2.26
April.....	0	4	2	6	8	4	3	3	2.19
May	5	7	12	2	4	1	0	0	0.49
June.....	3	4	1	3	10	4	1	4	1.99
July	3	5	0	3	9	2	0	9	0.74
August.....	0	6	3	4	12	3	0	3	1.60
September	0	5	1	4	9	3	0	8	4.12
October	1	1	4	8	7	8	1	1	1.44
November.....	0	9	0	4	6	7	1	3	2.62
December.....	1	0	1	8	6	12	1	2	4.85

APPENDIX.

REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE OF VISITORS

UPON THE AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

OF THE

TREASURER AND CLERK OF THE ASYLUM,

Pursuant to the 16th and 17th Vic., cap. 97.

The Committee of Visitors having audited the Accounts of the Treasurer and Clerk of the Asylum, as directed by section 60 of the above Act, do hereby Report the same to the General Quarter Sessions of the County of Cambridge and the Isle of Ely, and to the Council of the Borough of Cambridge, and append thereto an Abstract of such Accounts accordingly.

(*Signed*) OLIVER CLAUDE PELL,

Chairman of the said Committee of Visitors.

ASYLUM, FULBOURN,
February 26th, 1877.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE, ISLE OF ELY, AND BOROUGH OF CAMBRIDGE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Account Current for the Year ending 31 *December*, 1876.

1876.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 1.	To Balance of Cash in Steward's hands ...				217	10	1½
	To Cash received for Maintenance of In-County Patients	9058	15	1			
	To Cash received for Maintenance of Out County Patients	100	14	0			
					9159	9	1
	To Cash received for produce sold				281	5	7
	To Cash received from Treasurers of County, Isle, and Borough for Repairs, &c.				2533	3	5
	To Cash received from ditto on Account of New Works				2000	0	0
	To Balance due to Steward on Petty Cash Account..				60	16	11
					£14252	5	1½

1876.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 1.	By Balance Paid to Treasurer.				920	18	4
Dec. 31.	By Cash Paid on Maintenance Account :—						
	Salaries and Wages ...	2154	14	9			
	Provisions	3516	18	2			
	Necessaries	1075	12	4			
	Surgery	70	18	10			
	Wine and Spirits	176	10	0			
	Clothing	407	17	4			
	Furniture	382	1	6			
	Garden and Farm... ...	860	18	2½			
	Repairs (Tenant's) ...	147	1	3			
	Micellaneous	237	4	2			
					9029	16	6½
	By Cash Paid on Building Account :—						
	Repairs	1894	19	10			
	Fire Insurance	18	9	0			
	New Works	317	15	9			
	Interest on Overdrawn Acct.	14	16	10			
					2246	1	5
	By Balance in Treasurer's hands				2055	8	10
					£14252	5	1½

Submitted to the Committee of Visitors, 26th February, 1877.

O. C. PELL, *Chairman.* HENRY ARCHER, *Clerk and Steward.*

CAMBRIDGESHIRE, ISLE OF ELY, AND BOROUGH OF CAMBRIDGE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Balance Sheet, 31*st December*, 1876.

1876.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dec. 31.	To Balance of Cash in Treasurer's hands				2055	8	10
	To Amount due for Maintenance of In-County Patients ...	2439	3	9			
	To Amount due for Maintenance of Out-County Patients...	33	6	0			
					2472	9	9
	To Amount due from Treasurer of the County of Cambridge for Additions, Alterations, and Improvements	96	9	8			
	To Amount due from Treasurer of the Isle of Ely for ditto	170	19	6			
	To Amount due from Treasurer of the Borough of Cambridge for ditto	32	3	3			
					299	12	5
	To Amount due for Produce sold				77	5	2
					£4904	16	2

1876.		£	s.	d.
Dec. 31.	By Balance due to Steward on Petty Cash Account.....	60	16	11
	By Amount due for Salaries and Wages...	27	10	0
	By Amount due to Tradesmen, &c., on Maintenance Account	1477	7	4
	By Amount due to Tradesmen, &c., on Account of Repairs, &c.....	76	10	7
	By Amount due for Fire Insurance.....	18	7	4
	By Amount due to Tradesmen on Account of New Building.....	720	17	7
	Balance.....	2523	6	5
		£4904	16	2

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE, ISLE OF ELY, AND GARDEN AND

Profit and Loss for the Year

1876.	Dr.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Stock:						
	1 Horse	47	5	0			
	1 Cow	32	0	0			
	54 Pigs	57	9	6			
					186	14	6
	Food for Stock:						
	44 Coombs Oats	29	14	6			
	4 Tons Linseed Cake	47	5	0			
	Barley Meal, Pollard, &c. ...	29	10	10			
	Half Ton Salt	0	15	0			
					107	5	4
	Seeds, &c.						
	10 Coombs Barley	7	10	0			
	4 Coombs Peas	5	1	0			
	8 Coombs Wheat	9	12	0			
	10 Coombs Oats	6	19	0			
	Garden and Small Seeds ...	11	6	6			
	5 Tons Potatoes	23	10	0			
	12 Pear Trees	2	3	0			
	Shrubs	1	5	0			
					67	6	6
	Wages:						
	Farm Bailiff and Lodge Keeper	66	8	0			
	Farm Labourers...	172	0	0			
					238	8	0
	Rent:						
	27A. 2R. 14P. at 50*s.* (less tax) ...	67	15	5			
	40A. own Land, estimated at 40*s.*	80	0	0			
					147	15	5
	Machine Hire				9	9	0
	Saddlery				1	13	7
	Implements and Tools				18	9	3
	Grinding Corn for Stock				3	6	0
	Veterinary Surgeon's Bill... ...				4	4	0
	Straw				53	19	0
	Shingle and Stone				17	2	0
	Fire Insurance				2	5	0
	Pigs' Wash from House				10	0	0
	Miscellaneous				28	13	7½
	Stock Valuation, 31st December, 1875				711	2	6
					1557	13	8½
	Balance				141	1	11
					£1698	15	7½

BOROUGH OF CAMBRIDGE LUNATIC ASYLUM.
FARM ACCOUNT.

ending 31st December, 1876.

1876.	Cr.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Produce Sold:						
	2 Horses	31	8	0			
	3 Cows	66	0	0			
	5 Calves	8	0	0			
	13 Pigs	45	3	6			
	40 Sheep	96	13	0			
	27 Coombs Wheat	46	5	0			
	Old Water Cart	1	12	0			
	Fruit, Vegetables, &c.	8	18	1			
	Incidentals	2	15	11			
					307	15	6
	Produce Supplied to House:						
	5136 Gallons Milk at 1*s.* ...	256	16	0			
	$99\frac{14}{20}$ Eggs at 1*s.* 3*d.* per score ...	6	4	$7\frac{1}{2}$			
	42,530 lbs. Potatoes at $\frac{3}{4}$*d.* ...	132	18	$1\frac{1}{2}$			
	$366\frac{6}{14}$ Stones Pork at 8*s.* 6*d.* ...	155	14	8			
	50 Qrs. Malting Barley at 42*s.*...	105	0	0			
	Vegetables, Herbs, Poultry, &c.	94	1	$8\frac{1}{2}$			
					750	15	$1\frac{1}{2}$
	Stock Valuation, 31st Dec., 1876 ...				640	5	0
					£1698	15	$7\frac{1}{2}$

HENRY ARCHER, *Clerk and Steward.*

CAMBRIDGESHIRE, ISLE OF ELY, AND BOROUGH OF CAMBRIDGE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Estimated Value of Stock on Farm, December 31, 1876, compared with preceding Year.

1875.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dec. 31.	By Stock on hand this day:						
	4 Horses	115	0	0			
	7 Cows	175	0	0			
	1 Heifer	20	0	0			
	2 Calves	15	0	0			
	40 Sheep at 45/-	90	0	0			
	8 Pigs at 100/-	40	0	0			
	16 Ditto at 35/-	28	0	0			
	10 Ditto at 20/-	10	0	0			
	5 Ducks at 2/-	0	10	0			
	33 Fowls at 1/6	2	9	6			
					495	19	6
	489 Bushels of Potatoes at 2/4	57	1	0			
	15 Tons of Wurzels at 15/- ...	11	5	0			
	5 ,, White Carrots at 20/-	5	0	0			
	27 Bushels of Red Ditto at 1/-	1	7	0			
	100 ,, Parsnips at 1/- ...	5	0	0			
	20 ,, Onions at 2/6 ...	2	10	0			
	16 Tons of Hay at 100/- ...	80	0	0			
	10 ,, Sainfoin Straw at 50/-	25	0	0			
	13 Coombs of Peas at 20/- ...	13	0	0			
	12 ,, Sainfoin Seed at 20/-	12	0	0			
	2 Loads of Straw at 30/- ...	3	0	0			
					215	3	0
					£711	2	6

1876.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Dec. 31.	By Stock on hand this day:						
	3 Horses	90	0	0			
	7 Cows	175	0	0			
	1 Heifer	15	0	0			
	2 Calves	14	0	0			
	8 Fat Pigs at 80/-	32	0	0			
	10 Store Pigs at 40/- ...	20	0	0			
	9 Ditto ditto at 30/- ...	13	10	0			
	11 Ditto ditto at 20/- ...	11	0	0			
	8 Ducks at 2/-	0	16	0			
	31 Fowls at 1/6	2	6	6			
					373	12	6
	601 Bushels Potatoes at 2/6 ...	75	2	6			
	4 Tons Wurzels at 15/- ...	3	0	0			
	14 ,, White Carrots at 20/-	14	0	0			
	200 Bushels Red Carrots at 1/-	10	0	0			
	30 ,, Parsnips at 1/- ...	1	10	0			
	5 ,, Onions at 4/- ...	1	0	0			
	13 Tons Hay at 100/- ...	65	0	0			
	14 Tons Straw at 30/- ...	21	0	0			
	13 Coombs Oats at 15/- ..	9	15	0			
	46 ,, Wheat at 27/6 ...	63	5	0			
	2 ,, Peas at 20/- ...	2	0	0			
	1 ,, Sainfoin Seed at 20/-	1	0	0			
					266	12	6
					640	5	0
	Balance by decrease of Stock				70	17	6
					£711	2	6

HENRY ARCHER, *Clerk and Steward.*

ORDINARY DIET TABLE.

	BREAKFAST.				DINNER.																				SUPPER.					
	Males.		Females.		MALES.										FEMALES.										Males.			Females.		
	Cocoa.	Bread.	Cocoa.	Bread.	Boiled beef or pork, uncooked, free from bone.	Boiled mutton, uncooked, free from bone.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a pie. Beef.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a pie. Pastry.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a stew. Beef.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a stew. Potatoes.	Suet Dumplings.	Vegetables.	Bread.	Beer.	Boiled beef or pork, uncooked, free from bone.	Boiled mutton, uncooked, free from bone.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a pie. Beef.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a pie. Pastry.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a stew. Beef.	Beef uncooked, free from bone, seasoned, in a stew. Potatoes.	Suet Dumplings.	Vegetables.	Bread.	Beer.	Bread.	Butter.	Tea.	Bread.	Butter.	Tea.
	pts.	ozs.	pts.	ozs	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	pts.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	ozs	ozs.	ozs.	ozs.	pts.	ozs.	ozs.	pts.	ozs	ozs.	pts
Sunday.....	1	6	1	5	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	12	3	¾	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	½	6	½	1	5	½	1
Monday ...	1	6	1	5	...	...	...	...	4	6	4	..	...	½	...	...	...	...	4	6	4	...	...	½	6	½	1	5	½	1
Tuesday ...	1	6	1	5	...	...	4	8	...	...	...	6	...	¾	...	...	4	6	...	...	...	6	...	½	6	½	1	5	½	1
Wednesday	1	6	1	5	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	3	¾	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	½	6	½	1	5	½	1
Thursday...	1	6	1	5	...	...	...	...	4	6	4	...	...	½	...	...	...	...	4	6	4	...	...	½	6	½	1	5	½	1
Friday	1	6	1	5	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	3	¾	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	½	6	½	1	5	½	1
Saturday ...	1	6	1	5	...	...	4	8	...	...	...	6	...	½	...	...	4	6	...	...	...	6	...	½	6	½	1	5	½	1
Total	7	42	7	35	14	7	8	16	8	12	8	48	9	4½	12	6	8	12	8	12	8	39	9	3½	42	3½	7	35	3½	7

N.B.—Extra Workers, 3 ozs. Bread and 1 oz. Cheese daily. Cocoa in the following proportions for one pint: ½ oz. Cocoa, ¾ oz. Treacle, and ¼ pint of Milk. Tobacco and Snuff given as indulgences to the working patients. Weekly quantity of Meat consumed by each patient, uncooked and free from bone: Males, 37 ozs.; Females, 34 ozs.

HY. ARCHER, *Clerk and Steward.*

ANNUAL SALARIES OF OFFICERS.

Dr. Bacon, Medical Superintendent	£500*
The Rev. W. S. Parish, Chaplain	110
Mr. C. Francis, Clerk to the Visitors	£100
Mr. H. Archer, Clerk and Steward	150†
Mr. R. R. Rowe, Architect	30‡

* With furnished Residence, Coals, Gas, &c. † With Dinner each day. ‡ With a Commission as fixed 30th November, 1874.

STATISTICS

Of Pauper Lunatics, Idiots, and Persons of Unsound Mind, chargeable to Unions in the County and Borough of Cambridge and Isle of Ely, showing the number in Asylums, in Workhouses, and Elsewhere, compiled from Annual Returns, 31st December, 1876.

	Name of Union, &c.	In Cambs. Asylum.			In other Asylums.			Total in Asylums	In Work-houses.			With Friends Elsewhere.			Total Lunatics and Idiots.			Average Cost per head per Week.					Total Lunatics and Idiots in the Years.				Increase since 1875.	Decrease since 1875.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males and Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Under 2s. 6d.	2s. 6d. and under 5s.	5s. and under 7s. 6d.	7s. 6d. and under 12s.	12s. and under 16s.	1876	1875	1874	1873		
County	Caxton & Arrington	8	6	14	...	...	...	14	3	3	6	...	4	4	11	13	24	4	6	...	...	14	24	25	25	25	...	1
County	Chesterton	13	20	33	...	...	...	33	3	5	8	4	8	12	20	33	53	7	13	...	...	33	53	51	52	49	2	...
County	Linton	12	6	18	1	...	1	19	3	2	5	5	3	8	21	11	32	8	5	...	1	18	32	31	32	33	1	...
County	Newmarket	15	17	32	...	...	...	32	...	...	...	4	11	15	19	28	47	5	10	...	...	32	47	46	47	45	1	...
County	Royston	11	8	19	...	...	...	19	1	2	3	4	5	9	16	15	31	6	6	...	...	19	31	26	27	20	5	...
County	St. Ives	5	3	8	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	1	1	5	4	9	...	1	...	...	8	9	9	8	8	...	...
County	County	2	1	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	3	3	1	1	1	2	...
	Total County	66	61	127	1	...	1	128	10	12	22	17	32	49	94	105	199	30	41	...	1	127	199	189	192	181	11	1
Isle.	Ely	19	17	36	...	...	...	36	4	5	9	3	6	9	26	28	54	5	13	...	...	36	54	48	47	50	6	...
Isle.	North Witchford	16	13	29	...	...	...	29	9	8	17	2	3	5	27	24	51	1	3	18	...	29	51	48	49	48	3	...
Isle.	Peterborough	4	1	5	...	...	...	5	...	1	1	...	...	...	4	2	6	...	1	...	...	5	6	6	6	7	...	...
Isle.	Whittlesey	4	8	12	...	...	...	12	1	...	1	...	...	...	5	8	13	...	1	...	...	12	13	12	12	10	1	...
Isle.	Wisbech	11	24	35	...	...	...	35	...	4	4	1	...	1	12	28	40	...	5	...	...	35	40	39	41	35	1	...
Isle.	Isle	3	...	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	3	3	...	...
	Total Isle	57	63	120	...	...	...	120	14	18	32	6	9	15	77	90	167	6	23	18	...	120	167	156	158	153	11	...
Borough.	Cambridge	27	33	60	...	...	...	60	6	4	10	7	12	19	40	49	89	3	14	12	...	60	89	79	82	80	10	...
	Total in Asylums	150	157	307	1	..	1	308	30	34	64	30	53	83	211	244	455	39	78	30	1	307	455	424	432	414	31	1
																											Net Increase since 1875	30

CLEMENT FRANCIS

CAMBRIDGESHIRE ISLE OF ELY AND BOROUGH OF CAMBRIDGE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Income and Expenditure from the 1st day of January to the 31st December 1876.

FROM WEEKLY RATE.

INCOME.

Heads of Income	March 31st £	s.	d	June 30th £	s.	d	Sept. 30th £	s.	d	Dec. 31st £	s.	d	Year ending the 31st Dec. 1876 £	s.	d	Total £	s.	d
From Unions to which Asylum belongs	2438	17	6	2545	15	8	2002	15	8	2439	3	9	9426	12	7			
From Out-County Unions	36	8	"	36	8	"	24	4		9	4		106	4	"			
	2475	5	6	2582	3	8	2026	19	8	2448	7	9	9532	16	7			
Excess of Income over Expenditure derived from Out-County Paupers, carried to Building Account	2	14	2	12	2	8	4	6	7	2	6	"	21	9	5			
	2472	11	4	2570	1	"	2022	13	1	2446	1	9	"	"	"	9511	7	2
Balance from Dec. 31st 1875	983	2	9½	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"			
Less Estimated value of stock of 1869 discontinued from this Account	661	13	6	"	"		"	"	"	"	"	"	"			321	9	3½
															Total £	9832	16	5½

EXPENDITURE.

Heads of Expenditure	March 31st £	s.	d	June 30th £	s.	d	Sept. 30th £	s.	d	Dec. 31st £	s.	d	Year ending the 31st Dec. 1876 £	s.	d	Total £	s.	d
By Salaries & Wages	536	"	7	536	9	3	532	"	1	535	4	10	2139	14	9			
" Provisions	742	18	9	866	17	4	1000	11	10½	899	12	10½	3510	"	10			
" Necessaries	365	17	4	210	18	6	202	13	2½	226	7	10½	1005	16	11			
" Surgery	20	18	3	18	3	11	17	7	1	21	6	7	77	15	10			
" Wine & Spirits	68	6	"	20	11	"	48	16	"	44	5	"	181	18	"			
" Clothing	117	18	¾	83	4	6½	75	18	5	102	15	6¾	379	16	6½			
" Furniture & Bedding	124	1	5½	48	4	2½	67	12	9	97	12	4½	337	10	9½			
" Garden & Farm	302	10	6½	114	5	1	194	14	6	145	1	1	756	11	2½			
" Repairs (tenants)	76	13	1	50	10	8	16	17	"	14	14	7	158	15	4			
" Miscellaneous	63	8	10	48	12	"	80	11	10	46	14	2	239	6	10			
Profit on Farm & Sundry Credits	2418	12	10½	1997	16	6	2237	2	9	2133	14	11	8787	7	½			
	37	17	4	214	19	2	6	4	3	77	5	2	336	5	11			
	2380	15	6½	1782	17	4	2230	18	6	2056	9	9	"	"	"	8451	1	1½
Balance remaining to Maintenance Account	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1381	15	4
															Total £	9832	16	5½

FROM COUNTY RATE AND BUILDING & REPAIR FUND.

INCOME

	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d
From County Treasurer for Additions Alterations and Improvements by Order of Committee	229	9	5	108	18	4	123	6	9	96	9	8	558	4	2			
From ditto for New Buildings 1st instalment	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	947	7	5	947	7	5			
From Isle Treasurer for Additions Alterations & improvements by Order of Committee	178	9	6	84	14	3	95	18	7	75		11	434	3	3			
From ditto for New Buildings (1st instalment)	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	736	16	10	736	16	10			
From Borough Treasurer for Additions, Alterations, and Improvements by Order of the Committee	76	9	10	36	6	2	41	2	3	32	3	3	186	1	6			
From ditto for New Buildings (1st instalment)	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	315	15	9	315	15	9			
	484	8	9	229	18	9	260	7	7	2203	13	10	3178	8	11			
Excess of Income over Expenditure derived from Maintenance of Out-County Paupers	2	14	2	12	2	8	4	6	7	2	6	"	21	9	5			
	487	2	11	212	1	5	264	11	2	2205	19	10	"	"	"	3199	18	4
Balance from Dec. 31st 1875	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	173	11	10
															Total £	3373	10	2

EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d	£	s.	d
By Additions Alterations and Improvements	484	8	9	229	18	9	260	7	7	203	13	10	1178	8	11			
" New Building	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1038	13	4	1038	13	4			
" Interest on Overdrawn Account	"	"	"	14	16	10	"	"	"	"	"	"	14	16	10			
By Balance 31st Dec. 1876	484	8	9	244	15	7	260	7	7	1242	7	2				2231	19	1
																1141	11	1
															Total £	3373	10	2

Aggregate days of Residence of Patients, 108,769

Average daily number Resident 297 67/366

Average daily number of Attendants Resident } 34

Submitted to the Committee of Visitors the 26th day of February 1877

O. C. Pell.

Chairman

Average Weekly Expenditure for the Year ending December 31st 1876

	£.	s.	d.	£	s.	d	d
Salaries & Wages	2139	14	9	"	2	9	21528
Provisions	3510	"	10	"	4	6	93376
Necessaries	1005	16	11	"	1	3½	15606
Surgery	77	15	10	"	"	1	87684
Wine & Spirits	181	18	"	"	"	2¾	25909
Clothing	379	16	6½	"	"	5¾	50751
Furniture & Bedding	337	10	9½	"	"	5	92886
Garden and Farm	756	11	2½	"	"	11½	80712
Repairs	158	15	4	"	"	2¼	87991
Miscellaneous	239	6	10	"	"	3½	85610
	8787	7	½	"	11	3½	98208
Less Profit on Farm Account	336	5	11	"	"	5	81528
	8451	1	1½	"	10	10½	136680

Average Weekly Rate of Charge to Own County Unions	"	12	3
Average Weekly Rate of Charge to Out-County Unions	"	14	"
Income on Maintenance Account	9511	7	2
Expenditure ..... D° ..... D°	8451	1	1½
Excess of Expenditure over Income on Maintenance of Own-County Paupers	1060	6	½

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